

Message Text

PAGE 01 NATO 02464 01 OF 02 281554Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EURE-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 USIE-00
INRE-00 CIAE-00 PM-04 INR-07 L-03 ACDA-07 NSAE-00
PA-01 SS-15 PRS-01 SP-02 TRSE-00 OIC-02 /055 W
-----281654Z 030338 /43

O 281022Z APR 77
FM USMISSION NATO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3219
AMEMBASSY BONN

C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 1 OF 2 USNATO 2464

EO 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, NATO, NAC
SUBJECT: NATO SUMMIT COMMUNIQUE: REVISED DRAFT

REF: (A) STATE 93407, (B) USNATO 2286

SUMMARY: THE SPC REVIEWED THE DRAFT COMMUNIQUE APRIL 26
AND PRODUCED A REVISED DRAFT TRANSMITTED BELOW. US
INSTRUCTIONS IN REF A ARRIVED AFTER THE MEETING. ACTION
REQUESTED: ANY FURTHER GUIDANCE IN TIME FOR NEXT SPC
REVIEW MAY 3. END SUMMARY.

1. NUMEROUS SUGGESTIONS WERE PUT FORWARD BY ALLIED DELS
ON INSTRUCTIONS DURING APRIL 26 REVIEW OF DRAFT COM-
MUNIQUE. THE MAJORITY, HOWEVER, CONTINUED TO FAVOR A CON-
CISE COMMUNIQUE AND TO TURN DOWN MAJOR SUGGESTIONS FOR
CHANGE AS THEY WERE RAISED. THE RESULT IS A REVISED
DRAFT NOT RADICALLY DIFFERENT FROM THAT TRANSMITTED IN
REF B. GUIDANCE IN REF A WAS NOT RECEIVED UNTIL AFTER
SPC MEETING.

2. POINTS OF INTEREST, KEYED TO COMMUNIQUE PARA-
GRAPHS IN DRAFT PROVIDED BELOW, ARE:

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 NATO 02464 01 OF 02 281554Z

-- PARA 3, FULL BRACKETED SENTENCE BEGINNING "THEY REAF-
FIRMED THE WESTERN OBJECTIVE" WAS PROPOSED BY THE FRG
REP, WHOSE AUTHORITIES BELIEVED THAT STANDARD MBFR LAN-
GUAGE ALONG THESE LINES SHOULD BE INCLUDED. A NUMBER OF
REPS OPPOSED THIS LANGUAGE PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF ITS LENGTH
AND WILL TRY TO REWORK GERMAN LANGUAGE INTO SINGLE SEN-
TENCE ON MBFR.

--PARA 4, MAJORITY OF REPS FAVORED A SHORT SECTION ON
BERLIN, PREFERABLY ONLY ONE SENTENCE IN CONSONANCE WITH

THE CONCISION OF THE REST OF THE COMMUNIQUE AND IN KEEPING WITH THE CONTEXT OF THE PARAGRAPH. THEY HOPED THAT THIS LANGUAGE WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL ALLIES SOON.

-- PARA 5, FIRST BRACKETED PASSAGE ON CSCE WAS PROPOSED BY THE UK AND SUPPORTED BY A MAJORITY OF REPS WHO AGREED THAT "PROGRESS HAS BEEN UNSATISFACTORY". THE SECOND BRACKETED PASSAGE WAS PREFERRED BY CANADIAN AND DANISH REPS WHO OPPOSED A REFERENCE TO UNSATISFACTORY PROGRESS.

-- PARA 6, BRACKETED LANGUAGE ON HELPING THE DEVELOPING GOUNTRIES IS DRAWN FROM PARA 12 OF THE OTTAWA DECLARATION. IT WAS PROPOSED BY THE NORWEGIAN REP AND SUPPORTED BY THE NETHERLANDS AND PORTUGUESE REPS. FRENCH, FRG, AND CANADIAN REPS OPPOSED INCLUSION OF A SECTION ON DEVELOPMENT AID.

3. COMMENT: OUR INSTRUCTIONS (REF A) ARRIVED FOLLOWING THE SPC MEETING. WE WILL DRAW ON THESE INSTRUCTIONS AT THE MAY 3 SPC MEETING AND SEEK TO INCORPORATE INTO THE REVISED DRAFT AS MUCH OF THE SUBSTANCE AND SPECIFIC LANGUAGE PROPOSED BY WASHINGTON AS POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, DESPITE OUR BEST EFFORTS, WE EXPECT RESISTANCE TO EXTENSIVE CHANGES OR ADDITIONS AT THIS STAGE OF THE DRAFTING. INITIALLY, WE WILL BE HANDLING FYI PORTIONS OF REF A ON US INITIATIVES AT SUMMIT IN EARLY NAC MEETING.
CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 NATO 02464 01 OF 02 281554Z

END COMMENT.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: ANY ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE WASHINGTON WISHES TO PROVIDE IN TIME FOR MAY 3 MEETING. END ACTION REQUESTED.

5. BEGIN TEXT OF REVISED DRAFT COMMUNIQUE (DFC/2)(NOTE: BRACKETS ARE REPRESENTED AS PARENTHESES):

THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL MET IN LONDON ON 10TH AND 11TH MAY, 1977 WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT.

THE ALLIED LEADERS REAFFIRM THAT THE ESSENTIAL PURPOSE OF THE ALLIANCE IS TO SAFEGUARD THE INDEPENDENCE AND SECURITY OF ITS MEMBERS AND TO MAKE POSSIBLE THE CREATION OF A LASTING STRUCTURE OF PEACE. THE ALLIES ARE THUS FIRMLY RESOLVED TO MAINTAIN, AND, WHERE NECESSARY, ENHANCE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE ALLIANCE AND THE TIES WHICH UNITE THEM.

3. ALTHOUGH THERE HAVE BEEN SOME IMPROVEMENTS IN EAST-WEST RELATIONS IN RECENT YEARS, ELEMENTS OF INSTABILITY AND UNCERTAINTY PERSIST. OF PARTICULAR CONCERN IS THE UNREMITTING GROWTH IN THE STRENGTH AND OFFENSIVE

CAPABILITIES OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES. IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE ALLIES EMPHASIZE THE NEED FOR THE ALLIANCE TO MAINTAIN AT AN ADEQUATE LEVEL THE FORCES REQUIRED FOR THE COMMON DEFENSE AND FOR DETERRENCE AND, TO THIS END, TO MAKE THE MOST EFFICIENT

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 NATO 02464 02 OF 02 281529Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EURE-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 USIE-00
INRE-00 CIAE-00 PM-04 INR-07 L-03 ACDA-07 NSAE-00
PA-01 SS-15 PRS-01 SP-02 TRSE-00 OIC-02 /055 W
-----281654Z 030008 /43

O 281022Z APR 77
FM USMISSION NATO
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3220
AMEMBASSY BONN

C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 2 OF 2 USNATO 2464

USE OF THEIR RESOURCES. THEY ARE DETERMINED TO ASSUME TO THE BEST OF THEIR CAPABILITIES THE BURDENS THIS ENTAILS AND TO STRENGTHEN THEIR MUTUAL SUPPORT EFFORTS AND COOPERATION.

AT THE SAME TIME, THEY REAFFIRM THEIR CONVICTION THAT SECURITY IN EUROPE AND IN THE WORLD, WITHOUT WHICH DETENTE COULD NOT PRODUCE ITS BENEFICIAL EFFECTS, CANNOT BE ACHIEVED BY STATEMENTS OF INTENT DEVOID OF ANY REAL SUBSTANCE, BUT REQUIRES RESOLUTE EFFORTS TO REDUCE THE LEVEL OF ARMAMENTS THROUGH EQUITABLE AND BALANCED MEASURES OF DISARMAMENT AND ARMS CONTROL. IN THIS CONNECTION, THEY RECALL THEIR LONG-STANDING EFFORTS IN THESE FIELDS.

(SALT)

WITH RESPECT TO MBFR, THE ALLIES CONCERNED EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE THEY ATTACH TO THESE NEGOTIATIONS AS A MEANS OF ENSURING UNDIMINISHED SECURITY (FOR ALL). (THEY REAFFIRMED THE WESTERN OBJECTIVE TO ESTABLISH APPROXIMATE PARITY IN GROUND FORCES IN THE FORM OF A COMMON COLLECTIVE CEILING AND THE REDUCTION OF THE DISPARITY IN TANKS.)
CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 NATO 02464 02 OF 02 281529Z

4. CONFIDENT IN THE COLLECTIVE SECURITY PROVIDED BY THE ALLIANCE, THE ALLIES WILL PERSEVERE IN THEIR EFFORTS TO LESSEN THE TENSIONS BETWEEN EAST AND WEST AND TO

INCREASE PROGRESSIVELY THE AREAS OF COOPERATION.
HOWEVER, PROGRESS TOWARDS THIS OBJECTIVE DEPENDS ON
THE EXTENT TO WHICH ALL CONCERNED SHOW MODERATION AND
SELF-RESTRAINT BOTH IN EUROPE AND IN OTHER PARTS OF
THE WORLD. (BERLIN)

5. THE ALLIES CONTINUE TO ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO
THE IMPLEMENTATION BY THE CSCE SIGNATORY STATES OF ALL
THE PROVISIONS OF THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT. (THEY WELCOME
THE STEPS THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN TAKEN TOWARDS THIS
END, BUT NOTE THAT IN A NUMBER OF FIELDS PROGRESS HAS
BEEN UNSATISFACTORY. MUCH STILL REMAINS TO BE DONE
BEFORE THE FINAL ACT CAN BE REGARDED AS FULLY EFFECTIVE
BOTH IN INTER-STATE RELATIONS AND IN THE LIVES OF THE
INHABITANTS OF ALL THE COUNTRIES CONCERNED.) OR (THEY
WELCOME THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN CERTAIN FIELDS
COVERED BY THE FINAL ACT, BUT UNDERLINE THAT MUCH STILL
REMAINS TO BE DONE IF THE POTENTIAL OF THE FINAL ACT
IS TO BE REALIZED IN TERMS OF BOTH INTER-STATE RELATIONS
AND ALSO IN THE LIVES OF THE INHABITANTS OF ALL THE
COUNTRIES CONCERNED.)

THE FORTHCOMING BELGRADE MEETING WILL PROVIDE A USEFUL
OPPORTUNITY FOR A THOROUGH REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF THE FINAL ACT, AND FOR AN EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON WAYS
OF DEVELOPING THE PROCESS OF DETENTE IN THE FUTURE.
THE ALLIES WILL PLAY A CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE IN THAT MEETING
AND WILL SEEK AN OUTCOME WHICH WILL PROMOTE BETTER
RELATIONS BETWEEN THE PARTICIPATING STATES AND BE BENE-
FICIAL TO ALL THEIR PEOPLES.

6. THE ALLIES RECOGNIZE AS WHOLLY LEGITIMATE THE
CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 NATO 02464 02 OF 02 281529Z

ASPIRATIONS OF PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD TO HUMAN
RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS. THEY ARE CONVINCED
THAT RESPECT FOR THESE RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS, IN ACCORD-
ANCE WITH THE COMMITMENTS ACCEPTED BY GOVERNMENTS IN
THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND IN OTHER INTER-
NATIONAL DOCUMENTS INCLUDING THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT,
IS ESSENTIAL FOR PEACE AND FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF
FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND COOPERATION BETWEEN
STATES.

(EACH ALLIED COUNTRY ACKNOWLEDGES THE DUTY
TO HELP THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. IT IS IN THE INTEREST
OF ALL THAT EVERY COUNTRY BENEFIT FROM TECHNICAL AND
ECONOMIC PROGRESS IN AN OPEN AND EQUITABLE WORLD
SYSTEM.)

7. RECOGNIZING THE VITALITY AND VIGOUR SHOWN BY THE
ALLIANCE OVER THE YEARS, THE ALLIED LEADERS REAF-

FIRM THEIR DETERMINATION TO MAINTAIN AND STRENGTHEN
THEIR CLOSE ASSOCIATION AND COHESION WITHIN THE FRAME-
WORK OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY. END TEXT.STREATOR

CONFIDENTIAL

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 30-Aug-1999 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 28-Apr-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977NATO02464
Document Source: ADS
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: n/a
Expiration:
Film Number: n/a
Format: TEL
From: NATO
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t197704102/baaabdga.tel
Line Count: 223
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Message ID: 8ffeb39b-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 5
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: (A) STATE 93407, (B) USNATO 2286
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 22-Dec-2004 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2667469
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: NATO SUMMIT COMMUNIQUE: REVISED DRAFT
TAGS: PFOR, NATO, NAC
To: STATE BONN
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/8ffeb39b-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009